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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24. Amusements.

NATIONAL—Thatcher, Primrose & West, ALBAUGH'S—Richard Mansfield. ELENAN's-Williams's Specialty Company. mov-"Peck's Bad Boy. MODULETTAND—Museum and specialties. RST. RINK—The Equine Paradox, THE MANASSAS PANORAMA—15th st. & Ohioav

The Only Democratic Principle. The high standard in political principles which the Democratic party has adopted can best be told by the utterances of its leading newspapers. The stream never rises higher than the fountain, and the party is never better than its mouthpieces-"from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaketh." so we get the Democratic principles from the papers which speak for the party. The New York Herold is now and has been for three years an outspoken Demoeratic paper, and most particularly an administration paper. A few days since, in a leading editorial, it said:

The main thing now is to elect a Democratic President next year. If that can be best done by passing or attempting to pass a tariff reformesture this winter, all right. We shall very happy. But before embarking on that policy we advise Mr. Carlisle to make a careful count of states and see where the tariff re-form electoral votes are coming from next year, and whether there will be enough of

Quoting this, the Birmingham (Ala.) ald, easily the leading paper in that state, says:

This is good sense and worthy of careful con - "The main thing now is sideration to elect a Democratic President next year." That is the truth, and the important point to be looked to. The good of the country in a large degree depends on it, and for the weifare of the Democratic party is absolutely

The Herald, is like its New York name sake, in favor of protection, but the article from which the above is extracted advises the protection men in Congress to surrender everything rather than jeopardize the interests of the party and closes-

"The main point now is to elect a Demo-cratic President next year." That is the key-note, and let the Democrats in the coming Congress govern themselves accordingly,

The Nashville American, the leading Democratic paper of Tennessee and a con sistent advocate of protection, in an article entitled "First of all, Democratic Su premacy," says;

Our whole duty lies in the direction of per-retuating in power the party which has done so much for the country, and especially for the south. " * Every issue should be by Democrats, subordinated to this one central and cardinal idea: no blekerings should be allowed to creep into our Democratic household, which could by any possibility jeopardize this

The position of the Louisville Courier Cleveland and his administration in everything but its free-trade ideas, and yet it is hurrabing for Cleveland. This list might be indefinitely extended

and include all the so called "exponents o Democratic thought" in the country, all of them agreeing on this single thought with a unanimity unexampled, that the only principle of the Democratic party is the lesire of spoils, for that is the plain English of what the New York Herald and all those Principles, policies, questions of political

economy, the tariff, silver, currency, protection, free trade, state rights, education, internal improvements, are all as nothingthe only question is the retention of power, the chance to hold the offices.

That is Democracy, pure and undefile1just as it comes from the still. The battle cry is, ' Give us the offices, principles can go to the devil."

Problems for the Cleveland Boomer. The Cleveland claquers have laughed and grown fat with so little provocation over the late election returns that the RE PUBLICAN is disposed to continue feeding them with the same diet. If they can be entertained by counting in Mr. Cleveland for a second term this year, perhaps the honest majority of electors may have a chance at the regular election next year. The Clevelandites profess to see success

in 1888 written on the returns of 1887. If their theory be correct of course it stands upon the usual relation of the vote of off years with that of presidential contests And in this light it is a pleasure to give them some very solid figures to digest The re-electors claim the solid south to be gin with; the claim is invalid, but for the sake of avoiding a controversy we can af ford to pass that by. Cleveland carried four northern states in 1884, and "claims" them for next year. Here is where late election figures will prove instructive, if not interesting, to him. These states wer Connecticut, Indiana, New Jersey, and New York. In addition to every vote in the south, Mr. Cleveland must have a big roportion of the electoral votes of these states to re-elect him.

At the outset bear in mind that ever since the Republican party existed the almost invariable rule has given it in the northern states an advantage of about ten per centum in the increased vote of presiential, as compared with other elections That is, where the issues are national the vote is usually larger, the proportion of in crease is to that extent greater on the itepublican side. Now, apply this rule, o any reasonable rule the Democratic mathe mattelane may invent, to the four states named, do a little honest ciphering, and set the answers where he who runs may read.

Connecticut, at the last general election previous to 1884 gave a Democratic plurallty of 4,161; following the rule above stated, it gave Cleveland only 1,648. In 1886, which was the last general election previous to the next presidential election, its Democratic plurality was but 1,808. Where will the same ratio of decrease as | I see by your letter that you said some sovere

between 1883 and 18 4 leave Mr. Cleveend's former meager p urality?

Indiana in 1882 gaves Democratic plurality of 10,934; it gave Cleveland 6,512 In 1886, the last general election, it gave a Republican plurality of 2 003. It will be interesting to know how Cleveland's jugglers can apply that steady reduction to his

advantage next year. New Jersey in 1883 gave a Democratic plurality of 6,800; it gave Cleveland 4,412. In 1886, through local differences in the Republican party, it gave the Democratic candidate for governor an increased major ity; but at the same time the vote for mem bers of Congress, which was influenced b national issues directly, shows the hand some Republican majority of 6,907; and is should be added that the Republicans carried the state handsomely this year at the legislative election. How will the Cieve

land boomers solve New Jersey's problem New York in 1882 gave the Democrati 192,854; in 1883 there was a mixed result. the Republicans electing one state office: through personal favoritism, but the average Democratic majority being about 15,000 the state gave Cleveland in 1884 the meager plurality of 1,047. This year the averag Democratic plurality will turn out to b much less even than that which immediatel preceded the last presidential year, to say nothing of the tremendous Democratic majority in 1882. It is doubtful if it equals the 11,000 of Gov. Hill in 1885, and it is notable that wherever the issue was anything liknational the Republicans gained nandsomely, the Democrats holding up their columns in the brewery quarters. Even is New York have Cleveland and his assessed officeholders a great deal to show for thef

Now, in order to be re elected Mr. Cleve land must have, in addition to the "claime !" 53 votes of the solid south, enough from the shove four states, with steadily increaing Republican tendencies, to make 20 which will require 48. New York 30 an Connecticut 6 would not be enough if the rospect were bright after eliminating th Mugwumps and Burchard, for the Repub cans have much less off year adversity than usual to overcome. He must have in addition either Indiana or New Jersey, which are anchored in Republican waters-and backward.

With no desire to create uprest to the mind of an administration already re elected, still, as a matter of friendly cau tion, the REPUBLICAN advises the Cleveland comer to keep at least one eye on the porthern "doubtful" states and the other on one or two perforations in the solid south. They may at least entertain him.

Diplomatic Ability Displayed.

So much has been said upon the subjecof the Chinese concessions to Count Mitkeiwicz that the following letter of Tong-King-Sing, one of the ablest Chinese statesmen living, written to Mr. C. C. Moreno last spring, will be of interest to our readers and show what difficulties had to be contended with and what overcome to secure the concessions granted to the American syndicate of which the eminent banker, Wharton Barker, is the head.

The writer of this letter is now over 60 years old, but as vigorous and virile as most men of half his years. He has long been recognized as one of the ablest and most progressive of Chinese statesmen, is a scholar, a man of the world. He was one of the first of the children of the "flowery kingdom" to favor the adoption of the methods of the "outside barbarians," and was willing to transplant the modern civilization of the world upon the more ancient customs of China. He writes as follows to Mr. Moreno, who was and is his personal friend, and special attention is called to the paragraph saving that no concessions for railways would be made to foreigners, show-ing that Count Mitklewicz must have displayed great diplomatic ability to have se cured a reversal of this determination :

TIENTSIN, March 6, 1886-My Detr Moreno: Your letter, dated Capitol Hill, Washington, 25th December, 1855, reached me after our law overland courier had started, so I was com-pelled to lay it aside till the first steamer goes. I was very glad to see your hand writing again. and to find that you still remember your old

and true triend. You would have interested me the more had you given me an account of your eventful life. since we ceased correspondences. For my purt, bad over across the whole year of 1893—1874.

Self-rope and afterward to South America. I could have extended my journey to the United lates, where I had lots of friends to see, had I not been summ med by cable telegram to re turn to China. On my return to Shanghai I found the French difficulty still pending, with no prospect of coming to a fair settlement Capitalists had commenced to call in the money, and there was a regular paule in the money market in Shanghat and in the const ports. Great fear prevailed for the salety of the Chinese merchants' flest. steamship company lost its credit, and the

directors had to mortgage the company's go-downs to free themselves from immediate em-barrasament. You can form no idea what difficulty I had to keep the company up till it was transferred to the American firm of Rus sell & Co. after which I retired from the steam ship company, but I had to square up all the old business, which took me twelve months to de. I left Shanghai just before the season closed to come up to take charge of the Chi

nese Engineering and Mining Company in China-started, you know, by myself. This company is doing well. It is capable of turning out 1,000 tons of coal a day, but we hav, limited the output to 700 tons daily, selling (*) tons to the country people and 300 tons t Tientsin to supply the men-of-war and mer-

chant steamers and the arsenals, ding back to 1883, I must say I have had no end of pleasure abroad, and expectally in your charming and classic Italy, cradle of great men and of great things. Now, coming back to your letter, I note the

Ill treatment of our countrymen in the United States—the first independent nation in the world. It was only the other day a long telegraph message was received at the Taung-Li-Yamen (ministry of foreign affairs) in Peking, complaining of some serious riots against the Chinese in the western states. But what our China do when she, as you say, "is surrounded with enemies and no true friends." Indeed. I agree with you that she does not know "who are her enemies and who are her frien is," and consequently up "to reward her enemies and mistrust her friends." Bookles, jusiousy takes a deeper roof in China than in any other country. Naturally so when I see every one is working for himself and not for his own country. Even such an enlightened and great man as— whose name I need not to mention, as you anow it too well—he hates to see other man taking a lead of any enterprise. He likes foreigners telling him that he is the only man f progress in China and giving him full credit or everything great, bold and good done in Jaina. He is that sort or man who likes to address other men's ideas and claim the full widt for himself if they come out in lying color—a natural ambition for a great man. You have traveled all over the vast Chinese mpire and came in contact with most of the rominent men of our, and with your keen observation of men and of affairs, you can dge if my assertions are correct. fear that our country will not be able to make

its beadway so long as such a state of thing exists, and jealous and sulash men are at the As you often, years ago, spoke and wrote to me about railroads and telegraph in China-undoubtedly you must have lately heard and read a good deal on this sublect, but the present government have made up their mind to allow no foreign-ers to have any interest in the matter or to ad-mit any foreign capital, and as Chinese merchants and capitalists are going away from them inited of coming near them, you are able to judge for yourself whether we will have railreads and telegraph soon or not.

truths in regard to the missionaries in Chine While admitting that some missionaries were really at the bottom of difficulties and trouble to China and to the governments of their native countries, yet, at the same time, I disagree with you in having taken hold of Rev. Chester Holcombe as a proper type for all

classes of missionaries.

Many thanks for your promise to send me a copy of your memoirs when printed, but I rather wished you would not give me too much credit for what I have done for my country for in China full praise must not be given to the horse that wins the race, but to the man who keeps the stables. The more you say of me the more contempt I will receive from their looks, and being vexed, they will look a its author with the same light. How is you

ans-Pacific cable enterprise I am afraid I have occupied too much o your time, and must therefore close with my

et regards. Your most sincere friend, Tono-Kino-Sino.

A causis has arrived in the affairs o France. Clemenceau, the radical leader, when called into conference with President Grevy, declined to accept office, and said the crisis was presidential, not ministerial. Other leading Frenchmen, including Jules Ferry, coincided with Clemencesu, and advised the resignation of President Grevy. The result is that during the next few days the president will resign. The national as-sembly—that is, the senate and delegates ombined-will meet and elect a successor. The assembly contains about 900 members, of whom about 275 are radical republicans, about 250 monarchists of various stripes, and the remainder are moderate republi cans, divided into two wings. Thus it will be seen that neither of the par-ties can by itself elect a President. As a consequence there will have to be combination between some of the opposing factions, which will probably result in plebiscite, or vote of the people, and possi ly a revolution, precipitated either by the radicals or the monarchists. It is to be hoped, however, that the moderate repub icans can unite and draw enough patriotic Frenchmen from the other parties to selec some prudent man-Freycinet, Jules Ferry or Jules Simon-and elect him president. It is possible that the Chauvaniste will succeed in electing Boulanger, the military idol, and in that event the peace of Europe would be endangered.

Any one at all familiar with Virginia newspapers knows that it has been the custom for years past, with some of the Richmond papers, directly after each election to make a table of the counties and print the votes of each of the one hundred counties and thirteen cities, showing the poll in each. This year the reports for the three first days after the election were given in both the Disputch and Whig, then all fur ther publication ceased. No more returns vere given out from the office of the Secretar f State. The facts were the returns did not suit. The NATIONAL REPUBLICAN directed its correspondent to secure copies of the returns, but he falled in the effort. No thing was given out until the Democratic state election board met on last Monday and figured out a Democratic majority The Virginia Democrats must think that the people of the country are wonderfully trustful, if they expect their work to be accepted on faith.

THE fifth biennial report of the board of directors of the Kansas State Historical Society has been received from the secretary, Mr. Franklin G. Adams. The acces sions to the society's library and museum during the past two years are minutely chronicled, and a large amount of space has been wasted on articles of little or no value. The list of accessions to the museum reads like a catalogue of the uncalled for packages annually disposed of by the dead letter

Scissors. Pen. Scissors,

National Republicans, Nov. 18.

The Full Mail Guetle, Lendon, has an article showing that there are 1,939 steamers existing 10,931,941, to these steamers 770 are of steel, 8,198 of 170 are of st

States, with one of the greatest coast lines in the world, owns 40 while Spain-poor,old docrepid, broke down, impoverished

Spain — owns 40 France 5'9, and Go many, with a few mile of coast line, 579.

the world, owns 400, while Spain - poor, old, decreptd, broken down, impoverished Spain - owns 401. Frames 569, and Germeny, with a few miles of coast line, 579. If we could have a few years more of Demo-cratic administration with men like Vilas, relusing to obey the laws of Congress, and like Lamar, preaching free trade at a commercial dinner in New York, probably our steam fleet would be reduced to the minimum of one, leaving

400 more. It would seem that is what gen-demen of this class The Chronicle should have "appropriated" the entire article.

WRITTEN BY A WOMAN, SURE

Sisters Love Brothers Better That Brothers Love Sisters. San Francisco Chroniele.

A girl is generally very unselfish to he brother. You don't often hear of a young fellow giving up his pocket money to his fellow giving up his pocket money to his sister; he usually growls if she wants him to take her to the theater. But if a boy's in a little trouble his sister will stand by him like a brick. She'll not only give up her pocket money, but she'll go and wheedle some more out of her father to give it to him. She'll fib, she'll prevariente, she'll beg. He'll hang about outside until she gets it and comes and gives it to him. Then he will grab his hat and boil out of the house. And she does not mind if he does not thank her particularly. He's her brother, and—well—a woman always locks at a kindness done to a man as its own reward. A boy can generally wheelooks at a kindness done to a man as its own reward. A boy can generally wheedle money out of his mother. But if she can't give it to him out of the household cash, or her own pocket, she has a tendency to spoil all by telling his father what she wants the money for. A girl cannot succeed with her mother very often, but she does not often fall with the old man. And she's always more legenious in inventing necessimore logenious in inventing necess ties for it. A girl, with all the more lin-ited acknowledged needs of womankind to money, will find at any time a more reason able excuse for requiring it than a man with innumerable natural wants. God bless the

sisters, anyway. Any one of them is worth a whole family of brothers. A Prudent Man. [Merchant Traveler.]
"Is your husband a Christian?" asked the

dinjafer. "I don't think so. He won't join the "That is very and. Does he give any rea-son for staying out of the fold?"
"Yes. He's an official in the bank and he says he can't afford to risk his reputa-tion."

The reserved seat sale for Minnie Palms opened very briskly at Albaugh's yesterday and a big week's business is now a foregor conclusion. Miss l'almer's reception on Mo day night will be a brilliant affair. Pretty sou nirs are to be given to the audience on the night.

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CURRENT COMMENT. The Scintillations Which Brighten Our

Exchanges. St. Louis Post-Dispatch: It is established that the Republicans will carry Ohio in 1884 Dayton Journal: There is one thing certain. Whoever is the Republican nomine will have Ohlo at his back with all be

Indianapolis Journal: The tragedies a bloago will be repeated in other greatities unless vigorous measures are taken a once to prevent their recurrence. Hartford Conrant: People in this fre country are allowed to believe what the may, but what they do must be accordin-to law, and they are allowed to make the

law themselves. St. Louis Republican: If the supply of pauperism and anarchy is stopped anarch itself will die a natural death, and the place to stop that supply is at its fountained in Castle Garden.

Pittsburg Disputch: The old-fashione remedy for abolishing poverty is still the surest one. Persistent saving will place thousands above want, while speculation either in options or theories, will produce more poverty than it abolishes.

Chicago News: The rude hand of time shattering one by one the traditional privileges of the American aristocracy. Cogressman Wise, of Virginia, has been fine \$35 for carrying concealed weapons, and may not be years before the practice acarrying a bowle knife in the bootleg the first families will be tabooed.

the first families will be tabooed.

Kansas City Journal: The Democrationgans having prophesied that Mr. Blain would seek and get the Republican nomination, now base upon the result in Nev York a prediction that he will decline to be a candidate. Thus they are comfortably prepared. If Blaine be nominated, they will quote their earlier predictions; if the not nominated, they will reprint the later prophecies.

Chieses Medi. The Vignisians who we

Chicago Mail: The Virginians who re tained Mr. Conkling to make an argumen in their famous habeas corous case ar disappointed. They expected he woul-prance around the court room and rav-about the unhallowed invasion of stat-rights, but he didn't do anything of the kind. He confined himself to the law an the facts and made as good an argument the case warranted, but that was all.

the case warranted, but that was all.

New York Star: The principal argumen used in favor of the government telegrapischeme is that it would be economical in it operation and cheapen telegraphic service to the people, because much of the work would be done by postal employee and dispatches would be sent at cost price. We are convinced that both of these expectes advantages would prove filtusory. But there are other considerations prior to them in the order of time and importance.

Chicago Tribuser. The Canadian commission of the control of

in the order of time and importance.

Chicago Tribune: The Canadian commissioners might as well ask for the whole of New England as for any portion of the state of Maine, or for Massachusetts, in which Maine was merged until 1820. The old boundary controversy was settled under the Washington treaty in 1842 by giving Canada a little slice in return for certain privileges of no great account, and she will have to be satisfied with that concession. The Canadians just now are great atticklers for treaty provisions, and should rest content. If they think they were cheated in the boundary deal they can offset it with the five and a half millions out of which we were cheated in the Halifax deal, which makes things more than ever in their favor. things more than ever in their favor.

things more than ever in their favor.

Pittsburg Commercial Gazette: Of all worthless, asinine, weak authorities commend us to those of the New York quarantine. Their inefficiency in allowing a score or more immigrants from the Infected cholera districts of Italy to land several weeks ago prepared the public for almost anything, but certainly not for this: Most of the Italians in quarantine are to be landed at once. This is done not because the doctors in charge believe "that there is no longer any danger from cholera, but be cause the immigrants have mutinted against remaining longer in quarantine." So the people of the United States are to under stand that they have no voice in the matter as to whether they are to have cholera or not, but that very serious question is to be decided by a handful of ignorant, dirty, infected foreigners.

Hartford Courant: Ithas been pretty well

Hartford Courant: It has been pretty well demonstrated by the experience of the past ten years that the trunk railroads will not change the couplings and brake arrangements of their freight trains merely to stop the merelless killing and mangling of brake men. There have been plenty of safety de vices which were effective, but it has been cheaper to hire new brakemen than to adopt them. But is probable that selfish in terest will soon accompash what humanity could not. A new brake has been tested which will stop a swift-running freight train in a few rods. This will prevent the frequent smashing of freight cars and the destruction of freight which has to be paid for. Hence, it will not be long before the poor freight brakeman will have a better show for his life. The same considerations of economy ought to lead to an agreement between the big roads upon some form of steam heater for passenger Hartford Courant: It has been pretty well some form of steam heater for passenge

some form of steam heater for passenger cars.

Chicago News: Already there are six candidates looming up for the Democratic nomination to the vice presidency. These are the Hon. William F. Vilas, of Wisconsin: the Hon. Horry W. Grady, of Georgia: the Hon. Adail E. Stevenson, of Illinois; the Hon. Morrison Munford, of Missouri: Gov. Gray, of Indiana; the Hon. Doc Ames, of Minnesota. Each of these ambitious gentlemen has his merits. Vilas is said to be particularly solid with the President, and we can see that there would be an advantage in that. Stevenson is so popular in Illinois that his nomination to a place on the national ticket might serve to bring this state around into the Democratic line. The nomination of Grady would unquestionably hold the south together, and it is claimed that the popularity of Doc Ames as a wide open statesman would enlist the hearty co-operation of every ovter between Fort Snelling and Devil's Lake. And so are they all—all ratiling good men! But there are other localities to be heard from. This, it should be remembered, is a grand free for-all. be remembered, is a grand free for-all.

After the Republican Convention. Col. C. W. Johnson, of Minneapolis chief clerk of the Senate, returned to Wash ington with his family last evening. He ington with his family last evening. He says Minneapolis will make a strong effort to secure the National Republican convention next year. A strong delegation, headed by ex-Congressman Washburn, Gov. McGill, ex-Gov. Pillsbury, ex-Congressman Dunnell and Strait, of Minnesots; Hon. Hugh J. Campbell, Hon. John E. Bennett, ex-Gov. Gil. Pierce, and a large number of other leading citizens of Minnesota and Dakota will come personally to Washington to look after the place of location, and to urge Republican senators and congressmen to stick to division of Dakota and demand admission of South Dakota at the ensuing session of Congress.

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